(c) and (d)

| Year | No. of cases filed | Persons convicted | Persons acquitted |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2005 | 25 | 18 | 4 |
| 2006 | 23 | 12 | 17 |
| 2007 (Provisional) | 13 | 2 | 36 |

(e) The Government of India has taken a number of steps to check, detect and prevent illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs. These include:

Improved coordination with the various drug law enforcement agencies in order to impart greater cohesion to interdiction.

Strengthening of international liaison to improve the collection, analysis and dissemination of operational intelligence;

Increased international cooperation for exchange of information and investigative assistance in administering control over the movement of precursor chemicals;

Conducting training programmes for law enforcement officials for upgrading their skills to combat drug trafficking;

Implementing a scheme of monetary rewards for information leading to seizures of narcotic drugs to informants and officers;

Existence of a specialized anti-narcotics cell in Goa to effectively deal with drug trafficking;

To strengthen the anti-narcotics efforts, the State of Goa has been given Rs. 11.66 lakhs in the year 2004-05, Rs. 15.05 lakhs in the year 2005-06 and Rs. 4 lakhs in the year 2007-08 by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

**Lending to units in SEZ**

3015. SHRI MAHMOOD A. MADANI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

whether it is a fact that the nationalized banks have been reluctant on lending to the units located in Special Economic Zones (SEZs) as the title of the land is often not transferred to the units;

if so, what steps are being taken to correct existing situation; and

if not, the details of lending to SEZ units by the banks over last one year, SEZ-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Keeping in view the current market conditions, Reserve Bank of India, *vide* its circular dated 20.09.2006, advised all commercial banks that the exposure of banks to entities for setting up Special Economic Zones (SEZs) or for acquisition of units in SEZs which includes real estate would be treated as exposure to commercial real estate sector with immediate effect and banks would have to make provisions as also assign appropriate risk weights for such exposures are per the existing guidelines. However, no such specific instance of denying credit to SEZs by the nationalised banks has been brought to the notice of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The existing Management Information System of Reserve Bank of India does not maintain the data in the desired form.

**Aid from ADB**

3016. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. MABEL REBELLO:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

whether the Asian Development Bank (ADB) proposes to advance $ 2 million aid for India's core sector development;

if so, the details thereof; and

how far will this help to speed up infrastructure development in Private Partnership (PP) mode, with specific reference to Orissa and Jharkhand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR B ANSAL): (a) to (c) A technical assistance (TA) project amounting to $ 2 million has been approved by Asian Development Bank (ADB). The TA aims to strengthen the capacity of 14 State Governments in identifying, appraising, and developing public-private-partnership (PPP) projects. Orissa is one of the 14 states covered under this TA. This TA is also helping in strengthening nodal PPP cells in 14 states which are assisting State Government staff for developing financially viable PPP projects.

**Planned and non-planned expenditure**

3017. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

whether it is a fact that Government considers distinction of allocations as Planned and Non-Planned expenditure as dysfunctional as Stated in the Economic Survey;

if so, the reasons for retaining such category in all the Demands for Grants for various Ministries and Departments;

whether Government proposes to do away with such classifications; and

if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) The Eleventh Five Year Plan proposes to address many outstanding issues that have emerged over the years with the changing structure of Centre, State financial relations, such as, distinction between Plan and Non-Plan expenditure, revenue and capital expenditure, etc. These issues have been highlighted in the form of a box in the Economic Survey 2007-08 to generate debate and discussion.

(c) and (d) At present there in no proposal to do away with the current system of classification of items of expenditure.

**Help from ADB in infrastructure sector**

3018. MS. MABEL REBELLO:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleasedtostate: